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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PCT
 Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and first action by the Examiner, please amend the present application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-31 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method in a process for the determination of an analyte in a sample involving utilizing biospecific affinity reactions, and comprising the following steps:

i. forming a complex comprising:

Reactant I---Analyte'---Reactant, where

- a. Reactant* and Reactant I exhibit biospecific affinity to the analyte,
- b. Reactant* is analytically detectable,
- c. Analyte' is the analyte or an analyte related reactant, and subsequently

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